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Croatian Authorities Confirm 3rd Case of Classical Swine Fever

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Report Highlights:

On October 27, the Croatian Ministry of Agriculture announced that diseased pigs from the Sisak area tested positive for Classical Swine Fewer (CSF). This is the third case of CSF in Croatia this year. The disease occurred on a small family farm that had four pigs. This case follows closely on the heels of findings in eastern Slavonia that were confirmed on October 21. To prevent the spread of this highly infectious disease, the Croatian Ministry of Agriculture has issued a number of emergency measures.

Includes PSD Changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Unscheduled Report Vienna [AU1] On October 27, the Croatian Ministry of Agriculture announced that diseased pigs in the Sisak area tested positive for Classical Swine Fewer (CSF). This is the third case of CSF in Croatia this year, and it follows the finding in eastern Slavonia that was confirmed on October 21 (for more information on the previous CSF outbreak see GAINS report HR6011).

The third case of the disease occurred on a small family farm that had four pigs. Veterinarian authorities suspected CSF based on clinical signs of the disease and killed and tested one of the pigs for the disease. When the disease was confirmed, the veterinarian authorities destroyed the other three pigs on the farm.

To prevent the spread of this highly infectious disease, the Croatian Ministry of Agriculture issued the following measures:

- Veterinary inspectors are preemptively looking for other infected pigs and are applying serological tests. A nearby cattle fair will be closed.
- **3 km from the location of outbreak:** authorities have issued a ban on the transport and trade of pigs; a mandatory registration and examination of all pigs on the farms is taking place; and there is a ban on the slaughter of pigs for domestic use.
- 10 km from the location of outbreak: authorities have issued a ban on the transport and trade of pigs.